

Fogland Beach Oversight Committee
Pre-Season Inspection Tour of Fogland Beach
15 May 2014

Members present: T. Ramotowski (Chairman, Conservation Commission); S. Berlucci (Director of Public Works), M. Van Hof (Open Space Commission); and C. Lima (Neighborhood Representative).

Members absent: M. Wojcik (Town Administrator); C. Clarendon (Harbor Commission); and C. Roemlein (Recreation Commission).

The Inspection Tour began at the bathhouse at 4:40 PM.

Damage to the chain-link fence enclosing the playground was noted. This damage appeared to have been caused by a vehicle trying to drive between the playground and the beach dune immediately to its east. The side of the dune closest to the playground exhibited numerous tire-tracks.

The former location of the playground (across the paved road from the bathhouse) appeared to be converting back to beach dunes and beach vegetation.

Sand had built up again along the north side of the paved roadway.

The areas on the recreation beach where the DPW was trying to encourage the formation of beach dunes were inspected. In some areas, sand was collecting, but vegetation would be needed to stabilize the sand.

The portion of the dirt roadway that leads to the windsurfer beach is still in bad shape from last year's storms. The surface of the roadway is uneven and now slants towards the water. Only vehicles with high ground clearance can negotiate the portion of the roadway where it begins to head east, parallel to the shore. It is also possible that part of the roadway (as it presently exists) may have encroached onto private property where the eastward 90 degree turn begins.

The boulder line defining the limit of parking/vehicular traffic is in need of refurbishment. The boulders closest to the water have sunk almost completely into the sand, thereby allowing vehicles to get around the boulder line at low tide.

The Inspection Tour ended at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

T. Ramotowski, Chairman